REMARKS

Claims 1-6 are pending in this application.

The present application is a divisional of parent application Serial No. 10/013,453, filed December 13, 2001, which is filed to pursue subject matter not covered or specifically claimed in the allowed claims of the parent application.

Favorable action and early allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, please contact Craig A. McRobbie, Reg. No. 42,874 at the offices of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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